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ABSTRACT

Designed to assist literacy volunteers, this handbook explains specific ways to guide a young child's successful journey into literacy. The handbook includes 10 specific ways of working with children, with guides and suggestions for each; many book lists, including multicultural titles at several grade levels; concrete suggestions; sample lesson plans; time management tips; basic information on phonics and fluency in reading and writing; and guidelines for working with individuals as well as groups. Chapters in the handbook are (1) Let's Get Started!; (2) Ten Ways to Help; (3) Can We Talk?; (4) Get Lost in a Book; (5) Find Books to Love; (6) Discover Shared Reading; (7) What It Takes to Read; (8) The Place for Phonics, Letters, and Words; (9) What about Writing and Spelling?; (10) Make Your Own Book!; (11) Make a Difference at Home; and (12) Plan Well to Work Well. Contains 93 references; appendixes contain a list of 122 books (arranged by grade level) suitable for reading aloud and a list of 52 paperback books that serve as a starter for the literacy tutor's "tool kit.") (RS)

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